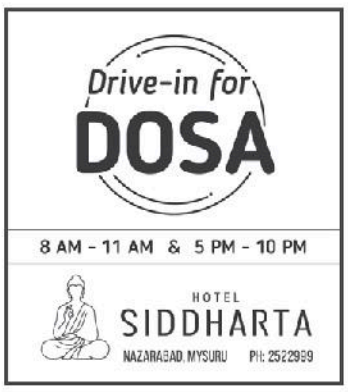

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Mysore Airport Runway expansion

Land demarcated, boundaries marked

Mysuru, Feb. 13 (BCT)- The long-pending proposal to expand the runway at Mysore Airport from the existing 1,740 metres to 2,750 metres in the first phase, a move that will enable the operation of larger aircraft, has gained fresh momentum.

The Airports Authority of India (AAI) has initiated a joint survey and inspection of 206.12 acres identified for expansion. The exercise is aimed at verifying land boundaries, assessing site conditions and identifying any encumbrances before documentation is finalised.

A multi-agency inspection was carried out between Dec. 15 and 17, 2025, involving officials from the Karnataka State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (KSIIDC), the nodal agency for land acquisition and handover, along with the Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB), Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL), Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL), National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and the AAI.

During the inspection, several missing boundary stones were noticed in the earmarked area. Before proceeding with the acquisition, AAI authorities wrote to KSIIDC seeking a re-survey to clearly identify and demarcate the land and facilitate its handover.

(See LAND on page 10)

Exclusive interview with City Top Cop

Seema Latkar

Since I took charge as Police Commissioner on July 5, 2024, the days have been marked by turbulent situations — protests and counter protests by political parties, Dasara guest row and handling Dasara crowds. Despite these challenges, the Police Commissionerate has managed the situations effectively. I want to assure the public that there is nothing to panic about," says City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar in an exclusive interview with *Star of Mysore*.

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 13th February 2026

Talk on Davos Summit at MOF

Sam Cherian

Mysuru, Feb. 13- Mysore Open Forum (MOF) has organised a talk on *"Unravelling Davos Summit - Its Mystery & Mystique"* by Sam Cherian, Founder-Chairman, Schevaran Sustainable Cleaning Solutions, Mysuru, at 10.30 am on Feb. 15 at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, Vijayanagar 4th Stage [Mob: 94498-19536].

He had attended this year's World Economic Forum Summit-2026 in Davos, Switzerland, where top Government Representatives, Business Magnates and others had gathered to discuss world economy.

Sam Cherian founded Schevaran Laboratories in 1988 with a vision to build the first Indian company producing high quality cleaning and maintenance chemicals for Indian market. He established the Schevaran Innovation Centre (SIC) with an advisory team of eminent scientists.

Prior to founding Schevaran, he worked for large corporations in Europe and the United States.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

THE POWER OF OPPOSITES: ***This year Valentine's Day is followed by Shivarathri, a festival that marks the holy occasion of the celestial marriage of Shiva and Parvati. At first glance, they appear to be an odd pair, completely mismatched. Shiva leads an ascetic life in the mountains — ash-smeared, serpent-adorned, dwelling in cremation grounds and detached from worldly life. Parvati — graceful, cultured, raised in refinement and order, represents beauty, fertility and domestic life. He is*** *anaadi, aja* ***or*** *ajuni,* ***meaning without source or unborn; She — the daughter of King Himavan and queen Mainavati. Shiva was grieving the loss of his beloved wife Sati and not seeking a soul-mate. Parvati was Sati reborn with the sole purpose of becoming his consort to restore balance. And yet, their marriage is celebrated as the ideal union because harmony in life does not arise from similarity, but from complementarities.***

Their attraction was not based on appearance, like-mindedness or social equality, but on spiritual alignment. The former practised meditation and silence while the latter, action and expression. Opposites complete each other, rather than compete. Relationships struggle because people seek sameness: similar tastes, backgrounds and temperaments. But similarity alone does not create balance. Two fires intensify each other; two silences create distance. Balance comes when differences become supportive rather than divisive. Parvati brings warmth, family and nurturing energy into Shiva's detached existence. Shiva brings stability, wisdom and depth into Parvati's active nature. Neither dominates; neither diminishes. Kailasa becomes both a place of meditation and a home of affection, where *ganas,* ***sages and even animals coexist.***

The story teaches that compatibility is not the absence of differences, but the presence of understanding. A successful partnership does not erase individuality; it protects it while creating unity. Shiva and Parvati prove that when respect replaces expectation and awareness replaces ego, even the most contrasting personalities can form the most stable bond. Without Shakti, Shiva is pure potential — silent and unmoving. Without Shiva, Shakti becomes directionless energy. Together they form *Ardhanarishvara* ***symbolising equality of genders. They complement each other in every way. Shiva, who destroys ego, becomes a gentle householder in Parvati's presence — a father to Ganesha and Kartikeya, a protector of devotees. Parvati, though a royal princess, embraces austerity in Kailasa without losing warmth or compassion. She does not abandon her nature; she expands it. He does not abandon detachment; he softens it with affection.***

Their union reminds us that true compatibility is spiritual, not superficial. *—Radhika D. Shyam in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

33-year-old cockatiel is world's oldest

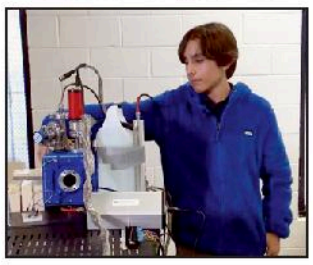
Illinois: A family's 33-year-old pet cockatiel, named Sonny, was officially named the oldest bird of his species by Guinness World Records.

Sonny officially earned the record for oldest cockatiel living at the age of 32 years and 292 days old in October 2025 and he celebrated his 33rd birthday on January 10.

The bird's owner, Northbrook resident Janet Reicher, said Sonny came to live with her family when he was just a few weeks old in 1993. She said he quickly showed an aptitude for music and learned to whistle songs from Bridge over the River Kwai and the theme from the Andy Griffith Show.

Janet credited Sonny's good health and long life to a healthy diet and plenty of social engagement.

Boy achieves nuclear fusion after 4 years



Dallas: A 12-year-old student's four-year-long science project may have resulted in his becoming the youngest person to ever achieve nuclear fusion.

Aiden McMillan, a Dallas Independent School District seventh-grader, said he started work on his ambitious project when he was just 8 years old, and spent the first two years studying nuclear physics concepts before building his first prototypes. The project concluded with McMillan achieving nuclear fusion.

McMillan is applying to Guinness World Records to be recognised as the youngest to achieve nuclear fusion. The record is currently held by Jackson Oswalt, a Tennessee native who successfully achieved nuclear fusion just hours before his 13th birthday in 2018.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Frequent use of over-the-counter antacids may mask symptoms while the underlying disease progresses.

By Dr. Nischay R - Consultant – Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Manipal Hospitals, Mysuru

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**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

Mega blood donation camp tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb.13 (GA&DM)- Project Clicks, in association with various Organisations, will be holding a mega blood donation camp at TTL Business Management College located on K.G. Koppal Main Road in the city at 8.30 am on Feb.14 in memory of those killed in Pulwama attack.

Addressing a press meet, Project Clicks Founder Nimishamba said the blood donation camp has been organised under the guidance of Jayadeva Hospital.

NCC, Mysuru Commanding Officer Lt. Col. Y.K. Sanjeev will inaugurate the camp at 8.30 am. MLA K. Harishgowda, Jayadeva Hospital, Mysuru Chief Superintendent Dr. K.S. Sadanand, TTL College Principal B.V. Prashanth, Mysuru Ex-servicemen Association President K.P. Diwakar and office-bearers will be present on the occasion, she said adding that the camp will conclude at 1.30 pm. For details, contact Mob: 82964-46315.

Mahadevprasad and Kishore were present at the press meet.

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Today's Outflow **3,263 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **1,000 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **200 cusecs**

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- ***Most carnivorous plants produce digestive enzymes that dissolve their prey into a nutritious bug stew. Some provide an enticing home for symbiotic bacteria that they depend upon to break down their catch for them.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: What's an astronaut's favourite part of a keyboard?
Sandy: The space bar!

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NEWS BRIEFS

Blood donation drive tomorrow

Aadithya Adhikari Hospital, Mysuru, in association with Lions Blood Centre Jeevadhara, has organised a blood donation drive tomorrow (Feb. 14) at Aadithya Adhikari Hospital in Gokulam from 9 am to 3 pm. For details, contact Mob: 72593-55002 or 99004-51766, Ph: 0821-2512532, according to a press release.

Second anniversary

The 2nd anniversary of Sri Arka Mahaganapathi Prana Pratishtapana at Arka Dhama on Bogadi-Gaddige Road, Kaniyanahundi Gate, near Madahalli, Mysuru, will be celebrated today and tomorrow (Feb. 14) in the gracious presence of Sri Yogi Srinivasa Arka. For details, contact Mob: 96069-54535 or 96069-54534, according to a press release.

Society elections cancelled

With 11 Directors of the city's Gayathri Souharda Credit Co-operative Society having been elected unopposed for the term 2026-31, the election to the Board of Directors of the Society, which was scheduled to take place on Feb. 14, stands cancelled, according to a press release. The following were elected unopposed as Directors of the Society — H.V. Rajeev, K.R. Satyanarayan, K.R. Manjunath, H.S. Srikanta Sharma, V. Venkatesh and K.R. Udaykumar, all from General category, Renuka Vishwanath and Anusuya Chandrashekar from women reserved seats, V. Tejaraj and Shivakumar from Backward Class Category — A seats and B.T. Ramachandra from SC reserved seat. The ST category reserved seat remains vacant. For details, contact Mob: 98451-75470 or 99456-57522, according to a press release from the Society Chief Executive Officer.

Istaqbal Ramzan, Tarbiyathi Ijtema

Istaqbal Ramzan 2026 and Tarbiyathi Ijtema (Islamic Religious Congregation) training has been organised for women on Feb. 14 from 11 am to 5.30 pm at Hazarath Char Baras Key Peer Darga at Bada Makan near Tipu Circle in city. Islamic Scholar Aleema Fazila Zubia Khatoon Aleeme and Aleema Seema Banu will deliver lectures on Islamic month Ramzan Mubarak. From 3 pm to 5.30 pm, Mehfil Zikre and special duwa (supplications) and Darood-o-Salath-o-Salam will be performed. For details, contact Mob: 81234-74220 or 99028-68949 or 99450-90480.

Lake encroachment in K.C. Layout

Fresh land grab bid revives 2015 incident

Kurubarahalli resident alleges Police inaction despite lodging complaint

Mysuru Feb. 13 (BCT)- The attempt to encroach upon the 3 acre 40 guntas lake in K.C. Layout (Kempu Cheluvajammanni Layout), located at the foot of Chamundi Hill in Mysuru, is not new.

J. Prakash

The lake land falls under Kurubarahalli Survey No. 4 and is being claimed as a private property, with two boards erected at the site. However, official maps of the Mysuru Development Authority identify the area as a lake.

According to Kurubarahalli resident J. Prakash, a similar encroachment attempt was made on March 19, 2015, when a compound wall was constructed. Residents strongly opposed the move and staged protests at the Nazarbad Police Station.

Following intense struggle by residents and villagers who knew about the water body, the then District Administration demolished the compound wall and cleared the encroachment.

Fresh complaint

With a renewed attempt to occupy the lake land, Prakash lodged a complaint at Nazarbad Police Station on Jan. 21.

He alleged that the Police neither registered a Non-Cognizable Report (NCR) nor initiated an inquiry and instead dismissed the matter saying they would "enquire."

"This is our village lake, where thirsty cattle once came to drink water. Yet attempts to encroach it continue. Earlier, when villagers resisted encroachment by the powerful, cases were filed against community leaders, forcing them to make repeated Court visits while fighting for their rights. They were recently acquitted," Prakash said.

After Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa addressed a press conference, Prakash questioned Nazarbad Police about the complaint he had filed on Jan. 21 and said he has now obtained the NCR related to the matter.

Details of the complaint

In his complaint, Prakash stated that in Survey No. 4 of Kurubarahalli, Nagrajappa, acting on behalf of the Mysore Maharaja, had leased 33.28 acres of land on Jan. 15, 1971, to Maniyamma, wife of Narayanappa.

At the time, 3.17 guntas of land was classified as 'kere katte' (lake bund) in the lease deed. However, Roy Peter, Manu and others allegedly encroached upon the land and constructed a compound wall.

Prakash has urged the Police to clear the encroachment on land marked as a lake and ensure justice.

Special agricultural zone at Chamundi foothill

MLA flags Rs. 500 crore land conversion violation

Mysuru, Feb. 13 (BLU&BCT)- Alleging large-scale irregularities in land use near Chamundi Hill, Krishnaraja MLA T. S. Srivatsa has charged that the Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) illegally converted 47 acres of land, valued at about Rs. 500 crore, from a no-development and special agricultural zone to a residential zone.

Speaking at a press conference near the encroached lake in K.C. Layout yesterday, he said the proposed conversion violates existing laws and threatens the greenery surrounding Chamundi Hill.

Citing the Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP)-2031 approved by the State Government in 2018, Srivatsa noted that no environmentally harmful development is permitted within a 100-metre radius of Chamundi Hill, which is officially classified as a no-development and special agricultural zone. He alleged that these legal safeguards have been ignored.

"As a MUDA member, I attended the meeting on Nov. 7, 2024, where landowners, including Rebi, Peter, Rani Peter and others, sought conversion of about 50 acres from special agricultural to residential use. The request was rejected due to zoning restrictions and a site inspection was ordered. However, after MUDA was rebranded as MDA, approval was granted in the Aug. 8, 2025, meeting to convert the land and forward the proposal to the Government," he said, adding that the meeting was chaired by Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, who also heads the MDA.

MLA T. S. Srivatsa addressing reporters at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday as other BJP leaders look on.

Will only benefit the rich

Calling the justification that houses will be handed over to the poor "laughable," he said the MDA meeting accepted the argument and gave its approval. "Once the land is converted and a new layout is developed, will the owners really provide sites to the poor at affordable rates? Are they truly that generous?" he asked sarcastically.

Pointing to prevailing property prices, he noted that each site in K.C. Layout is valued at over Rs. 1 crore. "In such a scenario, will the sites really be handed over to the poor?" he asked, expressing disbelief.

Bowing to pressure

Srivatsa further alleged that G.M. Madhu, a partner of Mysuru Layo & Infra LLP, had pressured MDA Commissioner K.R. Rakshit to clear the conversion.

"I had advised Rakshit not to act illegally or yield to influential pressure and he had agreed. But he succumbed to pressure from the land mafia and approved the conversion," the MLA claimed.

Demanding cancellation of the conversion order, Srivatsa urged the Government not to bow to the land mafia and called for protection of Chamundi Hill, which holds immense cultural and religious significance for Mysuru.

New authority, old corruption!

Mysuru, Feb. 13 (BLU&BCT)- The State Government may have changed the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) to Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) with the intention of eliminating corruption. However, corruption has not been eradicated, and appears to have carried over along with the transition, according to Krishnaraja MLA T. S. Srivatsa.

The massive corruption scandal in MUDA, involving thousands of crores of rupees, had drawn attention not only in Karnataka but across the country. In this backdrop, the State Government cancelled legislators' membership in MDA as part of reform measures. Despite this, the MLA expressed suspicion that illegal activities continue even under MDA.

"Earlier, when MUDA existed, legislators were held responsible for corruption. Now, with no legislators in MDA, the question is, who is accountable for the irregularities taking place today?" he asked.

VOICE OF THE READER

Permanent medians turning detrimental

Sir,

Apropos the letter titled **'No need of permanent divider on a narrow road'** in *Star of Mysore* dated Jan.30, I would like to express my vehement support to the concerned citizens of Rajarajeshwarinagar.

In fact, I had written a similar letter in *Star of Mysore* dated 21.8.2024, titled ***"80-Feet Roads: Preserve Them"*** asking Planning Authorities of Mysuru City not to disturb the 80-feet roads by erecting permanent medians, which reduces 80-ft roads into 20-ft lanes on both sides of medians.

I had given the examples of Marimallappa's Main Road in Vijayanagar 4th Stage and Sahukar Chennaiah Road, which have turned into congested roads because of the permanent medians on these roads.

Mysuru City is famous as a planned city because of the wide roads it has. But unfortunately, the Planning Authorities of Mysuru gave permission for permanent medians on some of the 80-ft roads, resulting in chaotic, narrow roads with parking issues and NO-U-TURN possibilities, etc.

When MUDA (now MDA) planned 80-ft roads at the time of new layout formation, they needed to remain permanently as 80-ft roads only.

How can they make permanent medians which drastically reduce the width of the 80-ft roads and turn the city into a city of narrow roads?

Suggestion: The authorities can use white and yellow colour paints to mark the lanes every 10 feet on the 80 feet roads. Our people follow rules when the authorities mark roads with proper lane markings.

I request MDA and MCC Commissioners to immediately stop erecting permanent medians on 80-ft roads anywhere in Mysuru.

—R. Prakash
Kanakadasanagar
31.1.2026

Special Puja at Trineshwaraswamy Temple

Mysuru, Feb. 13- As part of Mahashivarathri, special pujas will be performed at Sri Trineshwaraswamy Temple in Mysore Palace premises, which is one of the cluster temples coming under Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Abhivrudhi Pradhikara, on Feb. 15.

Also, as part of the festival, the deity will be adorned with *Chinnada Kolaga* (Golden Mask).

After the performance of associated rituals and pujas, the temple will be opened for devotees from 6.30 am to 4.30 pm.

The temple will again be opened from 10 pm to 12 midnight on that day, according to a press release from Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Abhivrudhi Pradhikara Secretary.

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Noose tightening on drug network

City Police to invoke PITNDPS Act to detain suspects; No need for FIR; Property to be seized

Mysuru, Feb. 13 (BS&BCT)- The unabated menace of drugs, both manufacturing and use, especially Methylene-dioxy-metha-mphetamine (MDMA), commonly known as ecstasy in tablet form, along with ganja and other psychotropic substances in Mysuru city, has prompted the Police to invoke hard and harsh steps.

In a first-of-its-kind step, the City Police have begun invoking stringent provisions of the **Prevention of Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PITNDPS),** to detain drug peddlers without filing a First Information Report (FIR).

In an exclusive interview with ***Star of Mysore,*** City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar said after the discovery of the scale of the drug menace in Mysuru, three proposals had been readied about how to handle the problem- one strategy was chosen. It has been sent to the office of Additional Director General of Police (ADGP), Law and Order (L&O), Bengaluru for approval.

"In this strategy, unlike a regular criminal case where an FIR is registered, action under the PITNDPS Act is a preventive measure to stop a person from committing further offences. It does not require a new, separate FIR for detention," she explained.

"To add, Property seizure under this Act is a powerful legal mechanism used to target the financial infrastructure of drug traffickers," the Commissioner added.

(See DRUG on page 10)

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar.

> "Mysuru becoming a drug-free city remains one of my top priorities. Until now, only drug peddlers were being booked under various legal provisions. We are now targeting consumers as well, because without demand, peddlers will not supply drugs. I appeal to Mysuru citizens to share information on drug sale, consumption and stocking through **WhatsApp at 82779-48080** or by **dialling 112.**"

ACP Rajendra leading 'Vimukthi-A Step Toward A Drug-Free Mysuru' awareness programme for students at Maharani's Junior College in the city yesterday.

Crack down on budding rowdies

To curb rowdy activities at an early stage, the Police have identified budding troublemakers and are keeping a close watch on their movements. Jurisdictional Police have a list of 148 budding rowdies and their activities are continuously monitored through neighbourhood intelligence gathering.

"Rowdy elements are being booked under Security cases, along with orders for their externment. So far, 56 Security cases have been registered, of which 36 are against rowdy elements. In comparison, 856 Security cases were booked in 2025 and 1,021 in 2024.

Inactive rowdy-sheeters

Of the more than 650 individuals listed as rowdy-sheeters, barely a few are considered active. The majority have taken up petty jobs, grown old or are physically fragile.

"As per the law, names of those who have stayed away from criminal activity for 10 years without an FIR, or who are unhealthy or bedridden, are being removed from the list in accordance with norms," the Commissioner explained.

Individuals, not professionals

In heinous crimes such as murder, attempt to murder, and sexual assault, most cases involve individuals without prior criminal antecedents, with the accused and victims known to each other, rather than professional or habitual offenders.

Of the 18 murder cases reported in 2025, only one involved a rowdy-sheeter. One case was registered as murder for gain, two were due to revenge or enmity, two arose from sudden quarrels, two from disputes, three from family disputes, and four were linked to adultery or love affairs. A rape-cum-murder case involved a minor girl from Kalaburagi.

Police presence at tea shops helps curb youth substance use

As youths form a large section of drug abusers and tobacco consumers, the Police have been deputed to visit tea shops and other places where youngsters tend to gather at specific hours. Fearing daily Police visits, many youths eventually refrain from assembling at the same spots, Latkar added.

COTPA cases

To substantiate this, in just one-and-a-half months of the present year, 2,524 cases have been booked under the Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products (Prohibition of Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 2003 (COTPA), along with 4,313 petty cases.

During the previous year, 8,908 cases were booked under COTPA, compared to 4,278 cases in 2024. A total of 12,480 petty cases were registered in 2025 and 7,116 in 2024.

Stringent action is also being taken against drug peddlers, with 12 peddlers externed in 2025. In the present year, a proposal has already been made to extern another peddler.

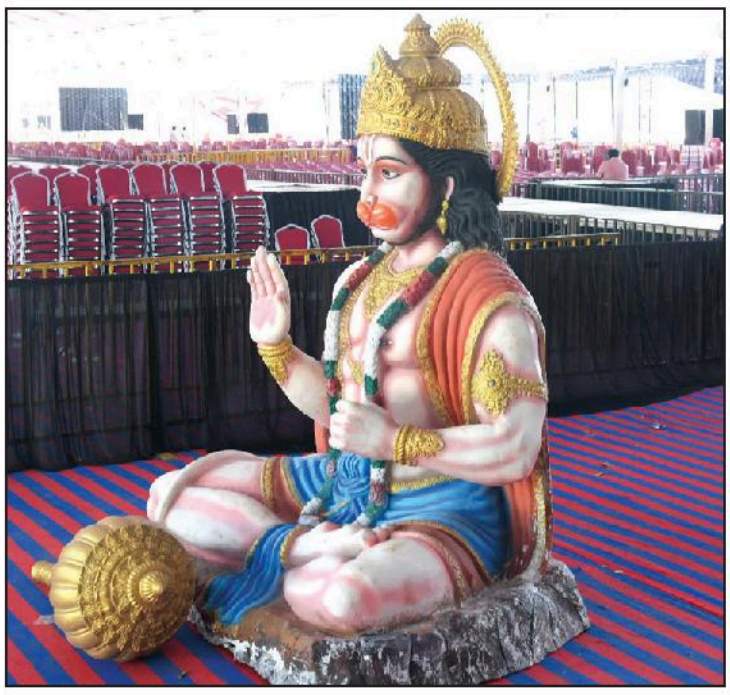
All set for Sri Hanuman Chalisa Parayana Mahayagna tomorrow

FROM LEFT: *Former Mayor Narayan, former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, MLAs K. Harishgowda and T.S. Srivatsa, former MLA L. Nagendra, State BJP Vice-President M. Rajendra, PA to Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji Prasad and Congress leader N.M. Naveen Kumar releasing the posters of 'Sri Hanuman Chalisa Parayana Mahayajna' at Maharaja's College grounds in city this morning.*

Mysuru, Feb. 13 (GA&BS)- Avadhoota Datta Peetham, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, has made all preparations for 'Sri Hanuman Chalisa Parayana Mahayagna' to be held at Maharaja's College grounds in city tomorrow (Feb. 14) at 9 am.

Addressing mediapersons after inspecting the arrangements at Maharaja's College grounds this morning, Krishnaraja (KR) MLA T.S. Srivatsa and Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda shared the details related to the same.

MLA Srivatsa said, the Hanuman Chalisa has been organised under the gracious presence of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji. An estimated 75,000 to 1 lakh devotees are expected to participate in the event that is intended at praying for *Loka Kalyana* (world welfare) including farmers, soldiers and the people.



It has been a tradition among the people to visit Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram for Mahashivarathri. This year, they will be descending on the Ashram, on the eve of Mahashivarathri itself, tomorrow.

On priority, the seating and drinking water arrangements, parking, toilet, health and other facilities have been made at the programme venue. *Prasada* and *Hanumad Rakshe* will be distributed to the devotees, where they are seated, to avoid any chaos and confusions, said Srivatsa.

MLA Harishgowda said, Shiva Parvati Kalyana has been arranged at the venue tomorrow evening. All the people should participate in large numbers, without any fear. The Police have made elaborate security arrangements.

Former MLA L. Nagendra, former Mayor Narayan, former Chairman of Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) H.V. Rajeev, Congress leader N.M. Naveen Kumar and others were present at the press meet.

Obituary

Sannamma

Mysuru, Feb. 13- Sannamma (85), a resident of Mydanahalli village, Yelwal hobli, passed away at the village this morning.

She leaves behind three sons including former APMC President K. Shivanna, daughters-in-law, grand-children and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the village this afternoon, according to family sources.

Hope Edgar Sebastian

Hope Edgar Sebastian (65), a resident of Shivaji Road in N.R. Mohalla, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife Sherrel, son Clarence, daughter-in-law Supriya and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral was held at Benson Cemetery on Nanjangud Road this afternoon, according to family sources.

M.B. Vijayakumar

M.B. Vijaykumar (76), son-in-law of former MLA late K. Kempeeregowda and a resident of Hebbal, passed away following brief illness at a private hospital in city yesterday.

He leaves behind his wife former ZP member K. Vanaja, son V. Ravikumar, daughter V. Ranjitha, brother-in-law former MYMUL President K. Umashankar and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Manchegowdanakoppal Burial Grounds yesterday evening.

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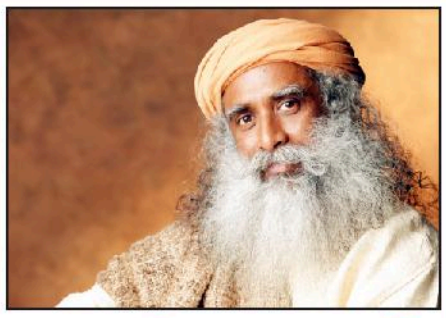
By Sadhguru - Founder, Isha Foundation



Mahashivarathri

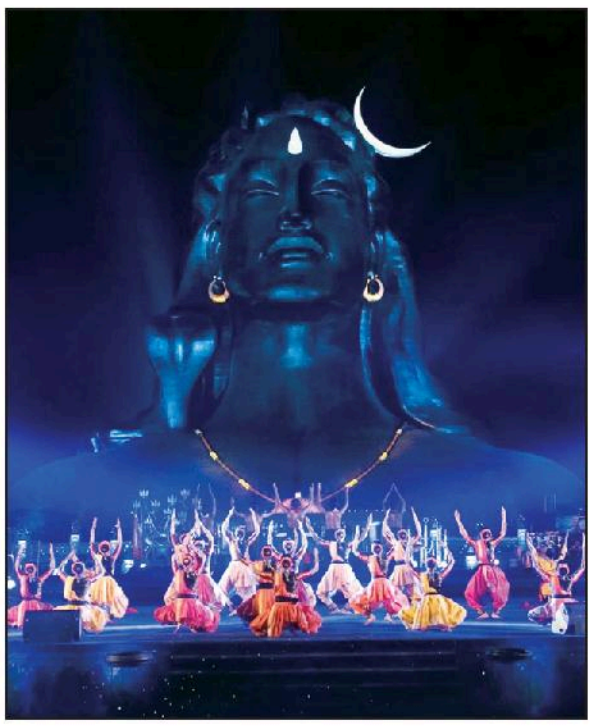
An opportunity to experience the Divine

In the Indian culture, at one time, there used to be 365 festivals in a year. In other words, they just needed an excuse to celebrate every day of the year. These 365 days were ascribed to different reasons and different purposes of life. There were various festivals to celebrate various historical events, victories or certain situations in life like planting, harvesting and reaping. But Mahashivarathri is of a different significance.

When we say Shiva, most people look at him as some kind of a God who is beyond everything. But if you look at the Shiva Purana, his life was this — he went through everything any human being would go through. He is many things at the same time. He is the most beautiful and he is also the ugliest. He is a great ascetic and also a family person. He is the most disciplined and also a drunkard and a drug addict. He is a dancer and he is also absolutely still. Gods, demons and all kind of creatures in the world worship him.

One reason why it has been made this way is, if you can accept this man who is a complex formation of every quality that you can find in this universe — beautiful, ugly, great, low, heaven and hell — then you have crossed life itself. If you can accept this man who is the most beautiful and the most horrible at the same time, then you have passed life very easily. The whole struggle is because we are always trying to pick out what is beautiful, what is not, what is good and what is bad. Shiva is a terrible combination of everything put together.

Mahashivarathri is very significant for people who are on the spiritual process, for people who are in family situations and also for the ambitious in the world.



For people who live in family situations, Mahashivarathri is celebrated as Shiva's wedding anniversary. For the ascetics, this is the day when he became one with Kailash — he became like a mountain, absolutely still. After millenniums in meditation, one day, all movement in him stopped and he became utterly still. So ascetics see Mahashivarathri as the day of stillness. And for the ambitious, this is a day when Shiva conquered all his enemies. So whatever the legends, the significance of Mahashivarathri is that on this day, there is a natural upsurge of energies in the human body.

The Puranas say blessed are those whose spines are erect. If you were still a creature whose spine was horizontal, you could not make use of it. But blessed are those who have an erect spine. They can move their energies heavenward, effortlessly. So this night we are supposed to spend awake, aware, with our spines erect, so that whatever sadhana we are doing, there is a great assistance from nature on this day so that the natural upward movement happens.

All evolution in a human being is fundamentally an upward movement of energy. Every practice, every sadhana that a spiritual person does is only to move his energies upward. From being just a biological entity to become a spiritual process, what is needed is an upward movement of energy. When we exist here, catering only to a certain aspect of nature which is our body — the physical body is just one aspect of nature — we will be just survival and procreation. The physical dimension of the existence really has no other purpose than this. If you look at every creature on this planet, you will see everything is constantly aspiring to survive and to procreate so that life just goes on.

But once you have become human, you know that life just going on is not sufficient for you anymore. So this day, this Mahashivarathri is an opportunity to go beyond the physical dimensions of life and experience the Divine within you.

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RMBF International Trade Fair brochure launched in Mysuru

Mysuru, Feb. 13 (KS)- **Rotary Means Business Fellowship (RMBF), Mysuru Chapter,** has officially launched the brochure for RMBF International Trade Fair-2026, scheduled to be held from May 8 to 10, marking the beginning of one of Mysuru's upcoming large-scale business and trade platforms.

The brochure launching event was held in the presence of Mysore Airport Director P. V. Ushakumari, who was the chief guest and senior Rotarian and Managing Director of Cubic Systems Rtn. Suresh Kumar, who was the guest of honour.

The dignitaries highlighted the importance of ethical business practices, collaboration and regional growth through structured trade platforms.

The RMBF International Trade Fair-2026 aims to bring together entrepreneurs, MSMEs, startups, professionals, manufacturers and service providers from across India and abroad. The Fair is designed to promote business networking, support local enterprises and create opportunities guided by Rotary's Four-Way Test. During the launch, RMBF members presented key features of the Trade Fair, including the exhibition layout, stall plans and early-bird stall pricing for exhibitors.

The RMBF Trade Fair organisers have invited businesses from multiple sectors to participate and leverage the platform for visibility, networking and growth.

Former Vice-President Naidu to arrive in city this evening

Mysuru, Feb. 13 (PM&DM)- Former Vice-President of India M. Venkaiah Naidu, who will be on a tour of Mysuru and Kodagu districts, will arrive in city this evening.

Venkaiah Naidu

Naidu, accompanied by his wife, is scheduled to leave from Chennai airport at 5.25 pm today and land at Mysore Airport at 6.45 pm. Upon his arrival, Naidu will drive straight to Government Guest House in Nazarbad at 7 pm and stay overnight in the city.

He will depart from the Guest House at 9.50 am tomorrow (Feb. 14) for Mysore Airport, from where he will fly by a helicopter and land at Timbertales helipad at Modur near Madikeri at 11 am.

He will travel by road to Madikeri to take part in Coorg cultural programmes organised at Greenpark Resort and Spa in Madikeri. Venkaiah Naidu will stay at Greenpark for the night and attend the 90th birthday celebrations of Atluri Poornachandra Rao, at 9.30 am on Feb. 15.

The former Vice-President will travel from Mysuru to Bengaluru by train on Feb. 18. He will stay at Lok Bhavan (formerly Raj Bhavan) in Bengaluru from Feb. 19 to 21 and will leave Bengaluru on Feb. 21.

Grand Holiday Carnival

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Homecoming for RCB?

Karnataka Cabinet clears decks to host matches at Bengaluru

Bengaluru, Feb. 13 (VNS)- Finally, here is good news for RCB fans, as Karnataka State Cabinet cleared the decks for Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) to host Indian Premier League (IPL) and international matches at M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru.

The Cabinet also cleared the decks for RCB to play their home matches in the State capital. However, the final decision to play the matches in Bengaluru lies with the RCB management.

Addressing mediapersons yesterday, Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy said, "The Cabinet had given its nod to host matches at Chinnaswamy Stadium with certain conditions in accordance with Justice Cunha Report which included allowing a maximum of 35,000 spectators to watch the matches among others."

Earlier, Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwar held a meeting with KSCA President Venkatesh Prasad, RCB Chief Operations Officer Rajesh Menon and other KSCA representatives before the Cabinet meeting and discussed various issues including the implementation of Justice Cunha report among others.

It may be recalled that a total of 11 people had died and more than 50 people were injured in the stampede that occurred outside M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru during RCB's IPL victory celebrations last year. Following this, the Karnataka State Government did not allow matches to be played in the stadium including ICC Women's World Cup 2025 matches.

The Karnataka Government had also formed a committee headed by former High Court Justice John Michael Cunha to probe into the incident.

Following the investigation, the committee also submitted a report with certain recommendations to be implemented at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium.

This year's IPL will begin in March and RCB will look to defend its title. According to sources, RCB, which wanted to play its home matches at D.Y. Patil Stadium in Mumbai did not get clearance from Mumbai Indians forcing the Bengaluru-based franchise to look for other venues.

With Karnataka Cabinet clearing the decks for KSCA to host matches, will RCB management decide to play at the iconic M. Chinnaswamy Stadium, only time will tell.

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Venue: Eden Gardens, Kolkata
Time: 3 pm

New Zealand Vs **South Africa**
Venue: Narendra Modi Stadium, Ahmedabad
Time: 7 pm

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS [FEB. 12]

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Noose tightening on drug network

Lashkar Police Inspector N. Lolakshi leading Vimukthi drug awareness drive in front of St. Philomena's Church. Picture right shows Mandi Police Station Inspector Diwakar (fifth from right) displaying Vimukthi posters with the students of MMC&RI Government College of Nursing.

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The Police Commissioner's remarks came in response to **'An Open Letter to the City Police Commissioner'** written by a reader and published in the **Voice of the Reader** column of *Star of Mysore* on Feb. 10.

Seema Latkar, while appreciating the public's expression of that anxiety in the letter to the editor in *Star of Mysore*, outlined the concerted efforts being made to maintain law and order, control crime and further improve traffic management to ensure smoother movement of vehicles, especially in view of rising traffic density and the surge in weekend tourist inflow.

A tenure of challenges

"Since the day I took charge as the Police Commissioner on July 5, 2024, the days have been marked by turbulent situations, posing challenges in the form of the 'Mysuru Chalo' organised by a political party and clashes between party workers.

More challenging was Dasara 2025, as International Booker Prize-winning writer Banu Mushtaq was chosen to inaugurate the annual religious event," recalled Seema Latkar.

"Firstly, I want to convey to the public that there is nothing to panic about," she said, adding that she firmly believes in the Bhagavad Gita's principle that when something good is bestowed upon a person, it must be given back through sacrifice and service rather than hoarded.

Drug consumers booked

She emphasised that making Mysuru a drug-free city remains one of her top priorities. "Until now, only drug peddlers were being booked under various legal provisions. We are now targeting consumers as well, because without demand from consumers, peddlers will not supply drugs," she said.

Inspector Kumar pasting Vimukthi poster at Jayalakshmipuram Police Station in city.

"In 2026, we have already booked 91 cases of drug consumption within one-and-a-half months, while a total of 414 cases were registered during the previous year. In 2024, only one case had been booked before I assumed charge. Action against consumers is intended as a deterrent to curb repeated drug abuse," she added.

"Parents and teachers have an important role to play in fighting this drug menace. Any children returning home late or showing behaviour that is not normal and changes suddenly should be questioned by their parents. It is also easy for teachers to spot odd behaviours, absenteeism and irregular studying patterns in classrooms," she asserted.

Over 34,000 CCTV cameras

The number of CCTV cameras in the city has risen to 34,806, including 24,710 installed in 2025 alone and geo-tagged. These cameras have been installed by owners of commercial buildings, households and others at the initiation of the Police.

Whenever a crime or accident occurs, the Police rely on CCTV footage and geo-tagging to trace the exact location and locate the CCTV cameras around the place. This will aid the investigation, Latkar said.

On the traffic front, the Police have been specifically instructed to follow up on non-fatal accident cases. "Officers must track the treatment and condition of injured persons, as many accident victims succumb in hospitals due to a lack of timely treatment," the Commissioner said.

Women good at multitasking

Responding to a question on the increasing number of women joining the Police and being given key responsibilities, Latkar said women possess innate qualities such as multitasking ability, commitment, dedication and conviction in action.

"Smart policing is the need of the hour, rather than working long hours without purpose. My day begins with age-wise analysis of cases, patterns and modus operandi," she said.

"Wearing khaki gives a sense of pride. If even one individual gets inspired, especially when I address students in schools and colleges, it makes the effort worthwhile," Seema Latkar added.

New DCP (Law & Order) soon

Following the transfer of previous DCP (Law and Order) of the city, on Dec. 31, 2025, the post has remained vacant. A seasoned Police officer is likely to be posted soon, said Latkar.

City Police Commissionerate limits set for expansion

With the city expanding rapidly, City Police Commissionerate limits are set to be extended by including parts of jurisdictions currently under rural Police stations on city's periphery.

Seema Latkar said a proposal is being prepared to include areas under Jayapura, Yelwal and other Police limits presently under the District Police, headed by the Superintendent of Police. The locations have been identified based on accessibility and the ability to ensure quicker response and action.

Land demarcated, boundaries marked

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The re-survey was subsequently conducted from Feb. 9 to 12, 2026, in Marase and Mandakalli villages in the presence of AAI officials, a senior Geographic Information System (GIS) analyst from AAI and a KIADB surveyor. Boundaries were measured on-site with reference to JMC maps and duly marked.

According to an AAI press note, boundary markers have now been restored and stones laid appropriately.

KSIIDC is required to hand over the land to AAI free of encumbrances, even as residents and landowners have stated that compensation for buildings, houses and trees is yet to be received.

Mysore Airport Director P.V. Ushakumari and other officials conducting an inspection of the land earmarked for the expansion of the Airport in Mandakalli yesterday.

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	(S-4)	10.35 am
Amruthaanjan (K)	(S-2)	10.10 am
Kaa-The Forest (Ta)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
Tu Yaa Main (H)	(S-2)	4 pm, 7 pm
Rakkasapuradol (K)	(S-3)	10.20 am
	(S-4)	1.30pm, 4.15pm, 7pm, 9.45pm
Marali Manasaagide (K)	(S-3)	1.10 pm
Pookie (Ta)	(S-3)	4.20 pm
Couple Friendly (Te)	(S-3)	7.15 pm
Funky (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm

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Landlord (K)	(S-1)	1 pm
Pookie (Ka)	(S-1)	4 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	(S-1)	6.30 pm
Nilave (Te)	(S-1)	9.30 pm
O'Romeo (H)	(S-2)	1 pm, 7 pm
	(S-3)	3.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Rakkasapuradol (K)	(S-2)	4.20 pm
	(S-4)	1.15 pm, 6.40 pm
Star (K)	(S-3)	1.45 pm
Couple Friendly (Te)	(S-3)	7.05 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Tu Yaa Main (H)	:	9.35 am, 12.50 pm , 4.10 pm, 10. 20 pm
O'Romeo (H)	:	9.35 am, 12.50 pm, 4.10 pm, 10 pm
Crime 101 (E)	:	10 am, 3.50 pm, 9.40 pm
Wuthering Heights (E)	:	10.40 am, 12.55 pm, 6.45 pm
Funky (Te)	:	11. 10 am, 1.35 pm, 7.45 pm
Rakkasapuradol (K)	:	1.30 pm, 7. 10 pm
Pookie (Ta)	:	1.55 pm
JC: the University	:	3.50 pm
Funky (Te)	:	11.10 am, 1.35 pm, 7.45 pm
Landlord (K)	:	4.20 pm
Kariya (K)	:	7.05 pm
Couple Friendly (Te)	:	7.35 pm, 10.10 pm
Mardaani 3 (H)	:	9.50 pm
Pennum Porattum (Ma)	:	10.30 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

O'Romeo (H)	:	10.30am, 12.25pm, 2.10pm, 5.50pm, 9.30pm
Funky (Te)	:	10.35 am, 7.25 pm
Rakkasapuradol (K)	:	11.05 am, 4.45 pm
Kariya (K)	:	1.15 pm
Tu Yaa Main (H)	:	1.45 pm, 4.25 pm, 10 pm
My Lord (K)	:	4.05 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	:	7.10 pm
Couple Friendly (Te)	:	7.25 pm. 10.10 pm
Minnale (Ta)	:	10.20 pm

EVENTS TODAY (FEB. 13)

Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya: 90th anniversary & Mahashivarathri celebrations, Divya Darshana of replica of Gujarat's Sri Somnath Temple, **up to 9 pm;** All Religion Meet for World Peace, Dr. BK Lakshmiji graces the occasion, Arameri Kalancheri Mutt Seer Sri Shantha Mallikarjuna Swamiji delivers talk, Sir Khazi of Mysuru Moulana Mohammed Usman Sharif, Sufi Ruhulla Shah Khadri, Bishop of Mysuru Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ and Mysuru Gurudwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gen. Secretary Harpreet Singh chief guests, **6.30 pm;** Kannadad Kannadi Band - Ganesh Prasad's troupe, Mysuru, ground opp. BVB Mysuru Kendra, Vijayanagar, **8 pm to 9 pm.**

Bhoomigiri Prakashana: Nudi Namana to late Shantha Malali, wife of late writer Malali Vasanthakumar, Kannada Sahitya Parishat auditorium, Vijayanagar, **4 pm.**

St. Joseph's First Grade College, Jayalakshmipuram: Valedictory of Jo-Fest, Bishop of Mandya Mar Sebastian Adayanthrath presides, MDES Secretary Rev. Fr. Edward William Saldanha and Treasurer Rev. Fr. A. Naveen Kumar will grace the occasion, Playback Singer Jaskaran Singh celebrity guest, Principal Dr. H.N. Chandrashekara and MDES CEO (Training and Development) Seby Mavely will be present, St. Joseph's School (CBSE) Ground, Jayalakshmipuram, **6 pm.**

Ganabharathi, Mysuru: 'Veena Gaana Navollasa' in memory of Vid. M.J. Sreenivasa Iyengar, Veena concert by Vid. D. Srinivas, Vid. H.L. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and Vid. Omkar Rao on ghata, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB. 14)

Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya: 90th anniversary & Mahashivarathri celebrations, Divya Darshana of replica of Gujarat's Sri Somnath Temple, **8 am to 9 pm;** Discourse by BK Yatna, Vidyaranyapuram, on 'Ashta Shaktigalu,' **6.15 pm to 6.45 pm;** Lecture by Dr. V. Keshavamurthy, Senior Cardiologist, Narayana Hrudayalaya, Mysuru, on 'Hrudayada Arogya,' **7 pm to 8 pm;** Devotional songs by Anvith Kumar/ Yogashree, Gonikoppa, ground opp. BVB Mysuru Kendra, Vijayanagar, **8 pm to 9 pm.**

Lions International District 317G: Region Meet - Region VI (2025-26), Multiple Council Chairman Ln. N. Mohan Kumar chief guest, Immediate Past Multiple Council Chairman Ln. Dr. N. Krishnegowda guest of honour, JSS Institute of Speech & Hearing Professor & Principal Dr. R. Suma Theme Speaker (Theme: Early Childhood Education & Care), Region Vi Chairman Ln. Sathish The NEST presides, MBCT auditorium, Akkamahadevi Road, Vishweshwaranagar, **8 am.**

Avadhoota Datta Peetham: Sri Hanuman Chalisa Parayana Mahayajna by Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Anna Prasada, **9 am onwards;** Girija Kalyana and Divyanama Sankeertana, Maharaja's College Grounds, **6 pm.**

Chaithra Foundation, Mysuru, Sneha Book House, Bengaluru, Lekha Prakashana Mahima Prakashana, Mysuru: Book release and 'Parisara Habba,' Dr. S. Sudha's books 'Nimma Ecosystem-365', 'Hrudaya Haadida Pallaviyali' and 'Pinki mattu Jinke haagu Etara Kathegalu' to be released by Environmentalist Manu Krishnamurthy, Senior Writer Dr. Sougandhika Jois and Senior Dot Artist Mohan Varnekar and Srushti; K. Ramesh's book 'Masuradalli Grama' to be released by Senior Writer B.R. Nagarathna; Senior Writer K. M. Lolakshi presides; Felicitation to wildlife enthusiast Dr. Mamatha Satyanarayan and Manu Krishnamurthy, Uttara Kannada Jilla Samskrutika Sangha, Gange Road, **10.30 am.**

University of Mysore Fine Arts College, UoM and Mysore Tibetan Community Centre: Indo-Tibetan Ghoton Dance & Musical Tribute, College auditorium, **11 am.**

Books & Brews Library: Unique workshops on The Curious Case of the Cosmos, Library premises, Gokulam, **3 pm to 5 pm.**

Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali-Kannada: Kathe Kelona Banni-919, story-telling by Chikkamalali R. Mahadeva, Lecturer, Government Pre-University College, Karimuddanahalli, Hunsur taluk, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** 'Science Sanje,' talk on 'Post-Independent Indian Science: Less known stories, unimaginable impact' by Prof. L.S. Shashidhara, Director, National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS), Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Bengaluru, Suruchi Rangamane, #476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Avadhoota Datta Peetham: 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **(3 Shows) 7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.**

MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Rakkasapuradol (K)	:	9.50am, 12.30pm, 7.30pm, 10.10pm
Crime 101 (E)	:	10 am, 7.05 pm
Tu Yaa Main (H)	:	10.40 am, 1.40 pm, 10.20 pm
O'Romeo (H)	:	1.05 pm, 3.10 pm, 6.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Landlord (Ka)	:	3.50 pm
Funky (Te)	:	4.45 pm
Wuthering Heights (E)	:	10 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Rama and Ramu (K)	:	10.30 am
Rakkasapuradol (K)	:	11 am, 1.55 pm, 7.20 pm
O'Romeo (H)	:	11.10am, 2.40pm, 6.20pm, 10pm
Daiva (Ka)	:	1.15 pm
Minnale (Ta)	:	1.15 pm
Karikaada (K)	:	4.10 pm
Funky (Te)	:	4.35 pm
My Lord (Ta)	:	4.40 pm
Maggi Pusthaka (K)	:	7.10 pm
Couple Friendly (Te)	:	7.45 pm, 10.20 pm
Prakambanam (Ma)	:	10 pm
Koodothram (Ma)	:	10.30 am

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

'Shivadeepotsava'

at K.G. Koppal temple

Mysuru, Feb.13 (GA&DM)- As part of Shivarathri, 'Shivadeepotsava-2026' will be held at Maruleshwara temple in K.G. Koppal at 6 pm on Feb.15.

Temple Trust President Dr. Mahadevaiah said that the event, organised in association with Negilayogi Samaja Seva Trust and Negilayogi Mahileyara Hitaishigala Seva Balaga, will feature 20,000 Deeparadhane and night long cultural programmes. Devotees can light a minimum of 25 lamps, he said adding that the organisers will provide lamp and oil.

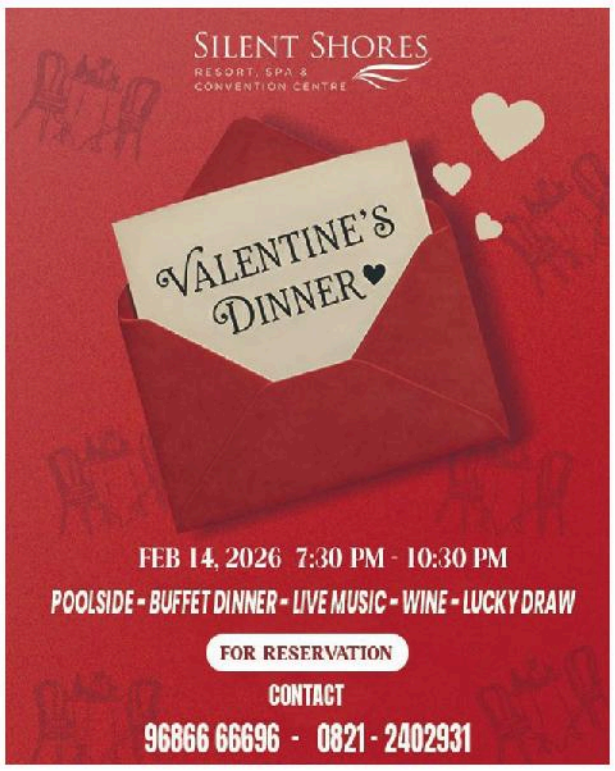
The winners of various contests organised as part of the event will be presented prizes at 6 pm the same day and cultural programmes will take place from 6 pm till 5 am on Feb.16.

Temple Trust General Secretary Prof. K.R. Rangaiah, Negila Yogi Trust President D. Ravikumar, Negilayogi Mahila Seva Balaga President Shobha Ramesh and Secretary Rani Mahesh were present at the press meet.

Also 'Shiva Panchakshara Mantra Japa' will be held at Maruleshwara temple premises from 6 pm on Feb.15. Those interested may register at Negilayogi Maruleshwara Seva Bhavan, Jayanagar. For details, contact Mob: 94834-53005 or 99006-29393 or 98455-95409

No power supply

Mysuru, Feb. 13 - As CESC has taken up quarterly maintenance works at Jyothinagar Power Distribution Centre, there will be no power supply on Feb. 16 between 10 am and 5.30 pm in the following areas: Gayathripuram, Chamundi Vihar Layout, Gopalgowda Hospital, Jalapuri, Vidyashankar Layout, Rajkumar Road, Raghavendranagar, Rajivnagar, Shaktinagar, Ghousianagar, Kyathamaranahalli, Renukadevi Block, Teresian College, Teacher's Layout, Udayagiri, Satyanagar, A.T. Block, Mahadevapura Road, according to a press release from CESC Executive Engineer, N.R. Mohalla Division.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